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EQUAL VOICES Women's Summit



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OFW is preparing for the Equal Voices Women's Summit, but many other events are happening in our community.

Be sure to check highlights in the OFW Community Calendar.

Some community events of interest to women ...

<u>Beaded Treasures</u>— fundraiser—4 days remaining.

August 27-28
Women's Business Expo

August 26, 3pm Louisville Premiere - <u>Anne</u> Braden: Southern Patriot

August 31-September 2 Worldfest 2012 on the Belevedere.

September 19, 2012 at 11:00 AM Please Join Mayor Greg Fischer and Patti Clare for - Idea Festival's 25-Year Vision Lab and Collective Impact Workshop Registration is Required

<u>UniKids</u> collects and ships school supplies to students in need living in Ethiopia and other developing countries.

From the opening remarks on the status of women from Eleanor Jordan, Executive Director of the Kentucky Commission on Women, to the final session, "The Impact of Fear on Memory" it will be a full and informative day! (Summit Details)

Voices at this Summit will be both voices with experience on workshop topics and voices of discovery.

We'll talk about history and women; the status of women today. We'll learn about problems, solutions, and where to go from here. The most important question will be: What do you think?

Click to <u>Register</u> (See Invitation on page 2.)

Who may attend? The Equal Voices Women's Summit registration is open to all women (or men) in who want to be more engaged in women's issues, advancing their careers and community.

Equal Voices is an opportunity to take in new information, share thoughts and generate new ideas to move Louisville women forward.

Participants will have opportunities throughout the day for discussion, to brainstorm and to provide written feedback.

Time: 9 am (Registration begins at 8:30 am)
Location: KTCTS Health Sciences Building
110 W. Chestnut Street

Women's Equality Day: August 26th



August 26th is recognized as Women's Equality Day in the United States because it is the anniversary of the ratification

of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of United States.

What does that mean? The 19th Amendment, ratified in 1920, granted the legal right for women to vote. Until that time, only some women in some states under certain circumstances were allowed to vote.

Today it may seem like a "no-brainer" to allow women to vote, but it was a long hard struggle for women to get to the ballot box. As early as 1776, while the United States was made up of thirteen colonies and the Continental Congress, some women were agitating for equal rights.

Abigail Adams wrote her husband (March 1776) imploring the authors of what was to become our Constitution "not to forget the ladies" and "Do not put such unlimited power in the hands of husbands." To which John Adams replied in part, "Depend upon it, we know better than to repeal our masculine systems."

The 1848 Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, NY is considered the "formal" or organized beginning of the Suffrage movement which led to women obtaining the legal right to vote—72 years later. It was at times an intense battle, with assaults and torture, a demonstration which President Wilson's felt overshadowed his inauguration; "scientific" claims that women's bodies were unable to hand such demands on their intellect.

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For more information & Registration go to the OFW Calendar: http://www.louisvilleky.gov/OFW/Calendar/2012womenssummit.htm

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Events, News & Workshops

Voter Information: Can I Vote? Where Do I Vote?

Women's **Organizations**

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September 14th, KCTCS Health Sciences Bldg, 110 W. Chestnut Street More information here: http://www.louisvilleky.gov/OFW/Calendar/2012womenssummit.htm



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Invites you to the September 14, 2012

2012 Equal Voices Women's Summit

Presentations & Discussions will include:

- •The Impact of Fear on Memory
- •Making the Most of a Career and Mentorship & Networking
- Immigration/Refugee Issues
- ·Walking In Her Shoes
- •What We Are Learning From Women Like You (Kentucky Women's Health Registry)

REGISTER ONLINE:

HTTP://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012 Womens Summit

For more Details and Payment instructions go to online registration. Registration Fee: \$15 (includes box lunch) For more information call: 574-5132

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